(viii) The Bodo youth will be considered for recruitment in Police, Army and Paramilitary forces to increase their representation in these forces.

(ix) Implementation of Special Rehabilitation Programme (SRP) for the people affected by ethnic disturbances in Assam, who are at present living at relief camps in Kokrajhar, Bongaigaon, etc. shall be completed by the Government of Assam with active support of BTC. Necessary funds for their rehabilitation shall be provided by the Government of India and lands which are free from all encumbrances required for such rehabilitation shall be made available by the BTC.

(x) The Government of Assam shall dissolve the existing Bodoland Autonomous Council (BAC) and repeal the BAC Act, 1993.

2. Some provisions made in the MoS require amendments in the Sixth Schedule to the Constitution of India, Constitution (Scheduled Tribe) Order, 1950 and certain other provisions of the Constitution. Action has been taken in hand to implement the provisions made in MoS.

Reasons for floods and lightening in Uttaranchal

4863. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have conducted any study to ascertain basic reasons of severe floods and lightening in Hilly areas of Uttaranchal causing great loss to the life and property;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I. D. SWAMI) (a) to (c) The India Meteorological Department has reported that due to the following meteorological conditions, Uttaranchal is vulnerable to floods and lightning:

(i) Passage of monsoon depressions and low pressure areas;

(ii) Interaction between monsoon depressions/lows with trough in the westerlies; and

(iii) Shifting of the monsoon trough to the foothills of the Himalayas during "Break Monsoon" conditions.

These conditions, along with the fact that the Upper Ganga River Basin lies in Uttaranchal State make the area prone to flooding and heavy rainfall due to severe thunderstorms, cloud-burst and landslides.